REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of this application is requested. Claims 2-3, 7-17, and 19-22 are now pending with claims 7, 14, and 19 being independent. Claims 2-3, 7, 9-10, 12, 14, 19, and 22 have been amended.

Claims 10 and 12 have been amended in response to the Examiner's objections in paragraph 2 of the Office Action mailed November 3, 2004.

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 7-8 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants have rewritten claim 7 to incorporate the elements of claims 1, 4, 5, and 6 into claim 7 and put claim 7 into independent form.

Applicants have added the limitations of former claim 7 that was indicated as allowable by the Examiner as well as former claims 4, 5, and 6 to provide antecedent support for former claim 7 into independent claim 14, thus making claim 14 allowable.

Applicants have also added the limitations of former claim 7 that was indicated as allowable by the Examiner as well as former claims 4, 5, and 6 to provide antecedent support into independent claim 19, thus making claim 19 allowable.

The remaining claims each depend from one of the independent claims discussed above. Accordingly, the dependent claims are allowable for the reasons set forth with respect to their respective independent claims, and for containing allowable subject matter in their own right. Independent consideration and allowance of the dependent claims are requested.

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In view of these remarks, Applicants submit that this application is now in condition for allowance and the Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees and/or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 20-0668 of Texas Instruments Incorporated.

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